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The Lien Law.

As is usual in the fall of the year, there is talk of having the legislature repeal the lien law. The proposition is so contrary to the best interests of the country, and the law is so necessary to individuals, that we are not ready to believe that the lien law will be repealed. As we understand, the demand for the repeal of the lien law comes invariably from landowners who perhaps may find it difficult to quiet themselves of the idea that they have proprietary rights in poor folk, especially of negroes.

To destroy a poor man's means of credit is to do him a real injury. The repeal of the lien law would practically make many poor men slaves indeed.

To repeal the lien law would, with few exceptions, ruin the landowners. If the merchants and the banks were not allowed to furnish the year's supply on a lien, the owner of the land would have to furnish not only the necessary food, but must buy the stock for tenants.

The renting of land is one business, and the selling of goods another. And if nobody could give a lien the poor would be distressed, and the landowner in many instances would be ruined because of his landless credit.

To deny the poor man the right to pledge his crop would be a discrimination against him as long as the owner of the land could mortgage his property.

Poor white men would likely as they should do, rent at the ballot box the destruction of the credit which saves them from serfdom. And the effort to place negroes back in slavery, very likely would fail.

Let the lien law alone. The legislator who would destroy the poor man's credit to further enrich the landlord will no doubt meet his political doom, as he deserves. Of course the conditions in this country are such that no legislator could wish to destroy the credit of the poor white man, or attempt to put him in slavery.

Old Printers.

In 1869 Thos. A. Hayden, printer, from Rutherfordton, N. C., had a contract to print the Ascalate Reformed Presbyterian at Due West. Frank Gerik, Robert Martin, and Joseph Hayden were among the printers who helped him in the work. Thirty-eight years have been added to the ages of those who survive. Mr. Joseph Hayden is in town now, selling fine fixtures of the best possible make. He saw the editor of the Press and Banner on the public square yesterday, and he spoke to him, saying that the editor looked as young as he did in 1869. He said there was no change in General Hemphill in all these years.

Our remembrance of him is that he was a smooth-faced young man, but he is a little older now, though he looks well and bears evidence that nature has been good to him. His brother Thos. A. Hayden married long ago, and he left seven children, all of whom, except one, survive. The living children are useful men and women—all married. Mrs. Hayden is dead, and nothing has been heard from Mr. Hayden for fourteen years.

Moving Up.

Being down town yesterday, the old square on the western side appeared different from anything that we recollect to have seen it, and we thought we had never seen the town so attractive in appearance. When we were about to leave the square, we were asked if we noticed that the old signs had been removed. That question solved the mystery. The work on the square gives a greatly improved appearance, and the removal of the signs finishes up the job.

The cheerfulness and promptness with which the business men complied with the action of the council against the signs is a matter of pleasure to record. The ordinance against signs across the sidewalk was passed on Monday, and by twelve o'clock next day the signs were down. A great number of second hand plank signs can now be had at Christmas prices.

Protect Miners.

The frequent loss of life in the coal mines would seem to call for the attention of congress. At Monongah, W. Va. four hundred coffins were recently shipped one day to bury the dead. It is also predicted that the number of the dead will reach six hundred. While Congress is in session our representatives might look into the matter, and see if some way cannot be devised to prevent so many fatal accidents in coal mines.

Going to Florida.

Mr. Lamar Clinkscales informs us that he contemplates selling his property in Abbeville that he may move to Florida. For this reason he will offer to the highest bidder on next Saturday some valuable city real estate, a most desirable home near the city limits, and some excellent farming lands in connection with the same.

He says that he raised on his home place this last year crops amounting to about \$2,000, as follows: corn 200 bushels, fodder 2000 bundles, potatoes 200 bushels, besides \$200 worth of vegetables and butter. Here is a pretty home for you, that can be farmed to advantage.

Our people will be sorry to lose Mr. Clinkscales and his family as citizens. Their good wishes will follow him and his family.

Here in All Its Glory.

The Carnival with its Italian Band, its dancing girls, its Indian Hobbies, its wild animals, its panorama of sights and bedlam of sounds, its fun and its frolic is here and open for your inspection.

This is one of the most varied as well as one of the best shows of its kind that has ever visited Abbeville, and those on pleasure bent will find that the Carnival folk will meet them four-fifths of the way.

The tents are pitched on the old bone yard, but you can't miss the place, just listen to the band.

Don't Forget the Little Children.

Have Santa Claus to visit your house with little presents. The children don't go along this way but once, and their hearts are young and susceptible to a kindness. In a few years boyhood will be laid aside to face the realities of life. Many nice things can be had at almost any of our stores. In our prosperity and good cheer, let us be good to the children.

The newspapers report the cotton crop this year as 1,689,014 less than last year. This looks like the price ought to be good.

The Shows are here, and all the boys, and some of the men have their eyes turned that way.

The Lord's prayer was said at the opening of the Senate and the House of Representatives in Washington last week. It has been a long time since that prayer has been said in some of our churches.

The New Court House.

The walls of the new court house, and the walls of the city hall are rising daily, and in the course of time Abbeville county will have a court house of which to be proud. And the city will have a hall that will be the best that we ever had. The building committee of each structure are doing their part well, and the contractor is surely putting up solid work.

The new post office building will be an ornament to the town, and will give us a post office the equal of the best. The Masons are to have a good hall, and Mr. Barkdale will be at home in the new store room.

The Southern railway is reducing expenses along all the lines. The double tracking between Atlanta and Washington has been stopped. The inability to sell railroad bonds of the South is the necessity for retrenchment. Unfriendly legislation has had its effect. The editor believes in a centralized government which can protect property and persons in every part of the country, and he believes in court judges that do not give every white criminal as many new trials as may be necessary to secure an acquittal.

Nice Store Fixtures.

Mr. J. W. McKee, Jr., has the nicest scales that we have seen, and his cash register is up to date in every particular. His show windows are filled with the most attractive goods and the goods in the store room and the store itself are all right. With car loads of goods and a regiment of the politest clerks that you ever saw it is no wonder that his store is full of customers.

And no Man in Sight.

And now comes the Seneca Journal with its nice picture of a pretty girl under the mistletoe, and no man in sight. The Christmas number of the Journal is a paper of many pages of advertising by enterprising merchants of the town.

Mr. Chapman has turned over his cotton bales, so that the sunshine and the rain may have a fair showing at each side and end of his bales. He rents a lot on which to store his crop, and upon which he can keep an eye when he sleeps, so that nobody may take off a bale.

Mr. F. L. Morrow, the new station agent is getting along splendidly with his job, as everybody expected he would. Mr. Brown, in his rounds, drops in sees that all is well as in a foretime.

The change in the schedule is quite an accommodation to passengers. They can get their meals without inconvenience, and have a longer time to canvass the town for business.

The three last days of last week reminded us of the day before Christmas, when the people try to buy out all the stores.

Some of Our Statesmen.

By R. N. Harper.
I went to the halls of Congress for I wanted much to see
The statesmen of this country so large and brave and free,
And a friend of mine—newspaper man—pointed them out to me.

There is Mr. Bonyage, of Denison; Hardwick of Sandersville;
There is Roseburg, of Illinois; Jim Lloyd, of Shelbyville;
Owen from Oklahoma, Llewellyn Powers, from Maine;
And Sullivan from Manchester, with Wyatt Aiken back again.
That's Nick Longworth from Ohio; Larringe from San Jose;
That's Stafford, from Milwaukee; see the load vest he has on;
There is John M. Nelson, Madison; that's Virginia's James Day,
And Jimmy Hughes, from Huntington, is right across the way.
That's Wesley Jones, North Yakima, from Washington, at large,
And Calhoun, of Texas, steers the Democratic barge.
Serebo Payne, of Albany's, next to Mosser, of Norfolk,
And Tennessee's John Wesley Gaines—you ought to hear him talk!
Mr. Garrett, there's from Dresden, Cooper from Union town;
That's Currier from Canaan; Landis from Delphi down;
There's Bob Lamar from Houston; John S. Williams from Yazoo;
J. Adam Beden from Minnesota, and Moses Kinkaid, too.
These are our noble statesmen—they look But that's because they've had to hear that blamed long message read.
—Washington (D. C.) Herald.

To the Members of the F. E. & C. U. of A. S. C. Division.

Whereas, a large majority of the County Unions of the F. E. & C. U. of A. S. C. Division have unanimously passed a resolution calling for a State Convention to meet in the city of Columbia, S. C., on the 18th day of Dec. 1907, and

Whereas, most of the counties have already elected delegates to represent them in said State Convention;
Now therefore, we are hereby notified that a State Convention of the F. E. & C. U. of A. S. C. Division will be held in the City Hall of Columbia, S. C., beginning at 11 a. m. Dec. 18th, 1907 for the purpose of adopting a State Constitution and transacting such other business as may come before the meeting and you are hereby notified that in case you have not already elected delegates to said Convention, that you meet at the earliest possible date.
To wit: Dec. 14th, 1907 at your usual place of meeting, or at the Union and elect delegates to the said Convention.

The basis of representation is one delegate at large for the County and one delegate for each one hundred members or a majority fraction thereof.
Resolved: That the 9th day of Dec. 1907 at the principal place of business of the F. E. & C. U. of A. in South Carolina at the City of Anderson, S. C.
R. F. Earle, Sec'y, & Treas. & State Agt.
T. W. Wakefield, Vice President.
W. L. Anderson, Sec'y, Executive Committee.

Lowndesville, Dec. 8th, 1907.

Mr. R. P. Clinkscales of the Anderson Bar, has been a week ago on professional business.

Mr. Jas. Clinkscales of Little River was in his place on business last Tuesday and Wednesday.

Miss E. C. Machine who lives near his place sold a part of his personal property at a public sale last Tuesday.

Mr. R. H. Mosley went to Anderson Wednesday on special business.

Rev. O. M. Armstrong who served this charge as pastor last year, returned from Conference on Wednesday to his post of duty here for another year.

Mr. J. B. Armstrong of Honea Path, has been with relatives and friends in and near this place for the past few days.

It is a late issue of the Anderson Daily Mail is the announcement of the coming marriage of Mr. Henry Mosley and Miss Ella Kay, to take place on the 20th inst.

Referred to Brother Sturkey.

Florida Times Democrat.
The case of the Sturkey estate that we have been showing the effect of the financial stringency in the country was that from the Washington leader in Abbeville county who withdrew his fight because times were too hard to work for prohibition. He did not take of the oil of joy that they might feel rich, or that because of the hard times every man had to work all his allotted time for his own business, or that the sale of booze made money easier in a community or that substitutes for booze cost too much. We would be glad to have a full explanation from our friend as to the particular effect that he finds in the situation.

Smith Dry Goods Co.

Here you will find a choice stock of useful as well as ornamental merchandise suitable

XMAS PRESENTS

for each member of the family as well as your friends.

Come early and bring your List, we will help you to think.

Ladies and Children's Cloaks

Now is the time to buy your Cloak. Prices range \$3.50 and up to \$25. Children's Cloaks 98c and up.

Silk Petticoats

Also a full line of Mercerised Petticoats.

Ready-to-wear Skirts

A complete stock to select from—Voiles, Panamas and Mohairs.

Ready-to-wear Waists

Lace, Taffeta and China Silks. Ecru, Cream and Black.

Fur Neck Pieces

Throws, Scarfs and Muffs. Children's Fur Sets.

Ziegler Bros. Fine Shoes for Ladies.

Automobile Free.

A coupon with each 25c cash purchase. Don't forget last day December 23rd. Each and every coupon counts. You may hold the lucky one.

Now for a Few of the Fancy Gifts.

Ladies Embroidered Handkerchiefs Lace and Silk Collars, Elastic and Silk Belts, Feather Boas, Pillow Tops, Laundry Bags.

Fine Silk Umbrellas.

Collar Cases, Post Card Albums, Ink Stands, Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, Work Boxes, Pictures, Jewel Boxes and number of other acceptable Xmas gifts.

SHOP WITH US AND SAVE MONEY.

Smith Dry Goods Co.

In Memory of Mr. B. S. Barnwell.

Abbeville, Dec. 6, 1907.
We, the Rector and members of the vestry of Trinity church, Abbeville, have assembled at the Rectory this evening for the purpose of expressing our sentiments in regard to the death of our late Senior Warden, Mr. Benjamin S. Barnwell. For forty years he had been a consistent and faithful member, and officer of this church; untiring in his devotion, unflinching in his duty, consistent in every department of life, and faithful in every trust bestowed upon him.
Therefore, it is resolved that our church has lost a pillar of strength, example and influence, for his walk was along the clean line of wholeness, piety and benevolence. Faithful unto death, with firm and unswerving faith in the Master Jesus Christ, he laid down his venerable head in peace and security; for he had fought a good fight, he had finished his course, he had kept the faith; and so we rejoice to feel that he is "forever with the Lord."
That this be published in the Abbeville paper, a copy of same be sent to his family, and a page in the church record be inscribed to his memory.
S. E. Printiss, Rector.
W. M. Andrews, vestryman.
John S. Norwood,
Louis A. Smith,
Edwin Parker,
Lewis Ferrin.

Our Cotton Letter.

All ye that have a comfortable seat on your cotton joint sit still and wait, for the game has been won just so soon as the count is in and the chips get the cash to pay in.
That bluff that has been passing the rounds in the papers about the Texas merchants resulting about not furnishing cotton grow to their faith and business to those that have proven themselves to be friends to farmers in this trying hard fight and stick to your friends that have stood by you in this the toughest fight for right that the Southern farmer has ever won, and win he will.

If you want the best flour on earth try ours. S. J. Link.

Go to Link's for furniture and sewing machines.

We have just received several large shipments of shoes and are now prepared to shoe your entire family with the best goods that ever came out of a factory. Please bear in mind that we guarantee every shoe we sell to be solid leather and to give reasonable service for the price. You cannot ask more, but your money demands this guarantee. S. J. Link.

Our Way Out of It.

We had better cut acreage in cotton next year than to undertake a large crop again, which is sure to weaken your strength by growing more cotton than you are able to hold for profitable prices.
Never once think you can grow more cotton than the trade will be eager for at profitable prices to the grower and load up with an overproduction of unsaleable cotton at profitable prices, unless you are one among that rare class of farmers that are able to put in the necessary additional capital to grow another crop while you carry over the surplus from the previous year.
Commence now and prepare yourselves for trouble again next year in another form. Be on the safe side and never again bind yourselves over under the burden of debt that ties your liberty and freedom in the hands of your enemies. Do not undertake the job of feeling fool yourself and then expect someone else to pay for it.

When in need of merchandise you will do the right thing to give us a call. We have served thousands of good people in the last twenty-seven months and every one will vouch for our good goods, low prices and liberal treatment. S. J. Link.

A car of the best Block Jellico



And one of best Red Ash Hard Coal to arrive about Christmas times. Prices right. Hand in your orders so as to keep comfortable during the Holidays. A good stock of Grates, Wire Fenders, Shovels, Tongs, Pokers, Trivets and Boilers.

AMOS B. MORSE.

Land Sale!

I will sell to the highest bidder at Abbeville C. H., S. C.,
On the 6th day of January, 1908,
my suburban home, containing

65 1-2 Acres,

known as the Livingston place, which is within itself very picturesque and a most desirable place—the only fashionable boulevard in the historic city of Abbeville, S. C.

I will also sell at same time the property known as the Miller Hotel, which is very desirable and has a frontage on Washington Street of 108 feet by 375 feet on alley. Said property is paying \$50 rent per month. Be sure and attend sale or you will miss a bargain.
LAMAR CLINKSCALES.

MONTHLY STATEMENT

of the Abbeville County Dispensary for month of November, 1907. Dispensary, Abbeville, at Abbeville, S. C.

Total Invoice including stock on hand first day of month	\$24,658 67
Receipts	13,207 72
Expenditures	392 53
Breakage	28 10
Liabilities	11,409 25

State of South Carolina,
Abbeville County.

Personally appeared G. A. Visanska, W. F. Nickles and T. J. Price, members of the Abbeville County Dispensary Board, who being each duly and severally sworn, depose and says that the foregoing statement is true and correct.

G. A. Visanska,
W. F. Nickles,
T. J. Price.
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of December, 1907.
Albert Henry,
Notary Public.

Mountain buckwheat flour fresh at Link's.

HOW TO ATTAIN OLD AGE.

Advice From an Authority on the Subject of Longevity.

Of the giving of recipes for longevity there is apparently no end. Every man or woman who has reached out far beyond the allotted threescore years and ten is made the subject of an entertaining argument to prove the points of this or that contender.

Every abnormality in the shape of strength of arm, of back, of general system, is used as an illustration of the virtues of this or that system of exercise or living. It is the opinion of a good many laymen that mankind does entirely too much thinking on the subject of how to live to a ripe old age. Less worry on this point might lead to the desired result.

But there never will be less worry. Even now the list of systems for prolongation of man's days is being augmented. The very latest suggestion comes from a physician of credit and renown. He thinks that there is a very great deal of benefit or of injury in the wearing of certain kinds of clothing.

According to this authority, the wearing of flannel next the skin is immensely injurious to the general run of men and women. Cotton is king, in his opinion. For summer wear he suggests a calico shirt, while balbriggan cotton is his idea of winter covering. The main point of his theory is the necessity of wearing always the same kind of material next the skin, whether this be of linen, cotton or wool.

Outdoor exercise is highly recommended—that is, if cycling be excepted. Wheeling is not considered a sane performance by this judge.

How to Bake Tripe.

Cut two pounds of boiled tripe into inch pieces. Peel, slice and fry in a little butter four mild onions. When of a golden brown color, turn them into a deep baking dish, lay on them the tripe, dust with pepper and salt and one tablespoonful of flour. Pour over milk sufficient to cover, put over the dish a tightly fitting lid and bake for two hours. When done, skim off the fat, turn into a heated dish and serve.

How to Make Poor Man's Pudding.

Wash two tablespoonfuls of rice thoroughly, put it in a pudding dish, pour over it a quart of rich milk, add four heaping tablespoonfuls of granulated sugar and a saltspoonful of salt. Stand the dish on the back of the stove and as it heats and the rice begins to swell stir it often from the bottom to keep it from sticking. When the rice is quite soft, add half a teaspoonful of vanilla extract and grate in quarter of a nutmeg. Stir these flavorings through well and put the dish in the oven. As often as the milk begins to wrinkle on top after placing it in the oven stir it thoroughly, not allowing a crust to form on top till the milk becomes thick and creamy. Then do not stir it any more. Let it get a delicate brown on top and then take it from the oven. Serve cold with currant jelly.

How to Make Sausages.

Chop some beef or mutton very fine, about two cupsful. Add to it one small onion chopped fine. Season with salt and pepper and add a little gravy. Butter escalop dishes or shells and fill them two-thirds full with the mixture. Spread over them mashed potatoes that have had milk or cream added to them. Brush over with melted butter and brown in the oven.

How to Make Koumiss.

One quart of perfectly fresh milk, one-fifth of a 2 cent cake of yeast, one tablespoonful of sugar. Dissolve the yeast in a little water and mix it with the sugar and milk. Put the mixture into strong bottles—beer bottles are good—cork them with tightly fitting stoppers and tie the down securely with stout twine. Shake the bottles for a full minute to mix thoroughly the ingredients, then place them on end in a refrigerator or some equally cool place to ferment slowly. At the end of three days lay the bottles on their sides; turn them occasionally. Five days are required to perfect the fermentation, and then the koumiss is at its best. It will keep indefinitely in a refrigerator.

How to Prepare Fish a la Reine.

To prepare fish a la reine pick a pound of boiled fish into small pieces. Make a white sauce of one tablespoonful of flour and one cupful of cream. Add to it the fish, two tablespoonfuls of chopped mushrooms, salt and paprika, and heat it thoroughly over hot water. At the last add the beaten yolk of one egg and one tablespoonful of chopped parsley.

How to Fry Clams Maryland Style.

Put one tablespoonful of butter in a frying pan over the fire. When it is hot, add one tablespoonful of finely chopped onion. Fry slowly for five minutes. Do not brown the onion. Add 15 soft shell clams. Cook for five minutes in a covered pan. Season with a little pepper. Beat the yolks of two eggs, add to them one-half a cupful of cream, add this to the hot clams and stir until the sauce is creamy. If it boils, it will curdle.

How to Devil Almonds.

Blanch and shred two-thirds of a cupful of almonds. Heat one tablespoonful of butter until it sizzles and saute the almonds, then add two tablespoonfuls of chutney, four tablespoonfuls of chopped cucumber pick, two tablespoonfuls of Worcestershire sauce, one teaspoonful of salt and one saltspoonful of pepper. Serve hot.

How to Make Spruce Beer.

Mix together a pound and a half of loaf sugar, two gallons and a half of water, a large piece of lemon peel, sufficient essence of spruce to flavor and half a cupful of yeast. When the beer is fermented, bottle it for use.

Eureka Cafe,

W. H. McFall, Prop.

Frank L. Morrow, Jr., Mgr.

Meals at all hours until 10 or 11 o'clock at night.

RATES—

Single meal, 35 cents.

Weekly rates \$4.

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